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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A recording apparatus includes a gate signal generator for generating a gate signal in accordance with the data signal; a pre-pit signal generator generating a pre-pit signal from a signal read from the recording medium; a gate circuit for generating a pre-pit pulse train by allowing the pre-pit signal to pass therethrough in response to the gate signal; a pulse extractor for extracting pulses of predetermined waveform from the pre-pit pulse train; and a synchronization signal generator for generating recording synchronization signal based on the pulses predetermined waveform.